

Pastoral Perspective

As you read this, Lent has just begun! The sobering experience of Ash Wednesday - where we are reminded that we are dust and dust we shall become - has once again been experienced. The pain of the cross is before us - always before us for it is through the cross that God did it all. This incredibly painful experience ultimately leads to the hope we are promised - resurrection! God is so good! Lent for me is always a time of learning more about God, reflecting on what God has done, and being available for God to minister through me.

During our journey this year, Wednesday evening services will focus on: *"...the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control..." (Galatians 5:22)*. I am so grateful that these fruits are being nurtured and cultivated by God in the lives of Christians. Can you imagine what life would be like if these fruits were non-existent? [Might that be hell on earth?] Can you imagine what life will be like when all these fruits are mature in every one? [Might this be yet another reason to look forward to heaven?]

During my journey this year, I will once again reflect on how God has gifted and prepared me for and is leading me into ministry. I firmly believe God gifts and prepares us. As I reflect on each phase of my life: youth (birth through college graduation); military service; business career; and diaconal ministry; I see God gifting, preparing, and using me. My challenge is to discern where God is leading me into ministry. On many occasions, as some of you know (especially my family), I get up a "head of steam," the forest vanishes, and I have a breathtaking perspective of the tree directly in front of me. Thankfully, in nearly every recent occurrence, a brother or sister in Christ was astute enough to say: "Shake your head - your eyes are stuck!" Thank you Lord for fellow sojourners!

During my journey this year, I intend to take the advice of the psalmist and *"Be still and know that I am God."* (Psalm 46:10) Not that I am God - but - as my study note says: "God's voice breaks through...- the climax. *Be still*. Here, the Hebrew for this phrase probably means "Enough!"...*know*. Acknowledge." This study note brings back memories where I have inundated someone or I have been inundated with so much information that they or I finally say "Enough!" Isn't it curious how quiet it gets. But, isn't that the

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time when everyone involved is best prepared to listen. Becoming quiet is so hard to do in this world! I ask each of you reading this to find time this Lent to become quiet before God to learn from, reflect on, and be available to God.

May each of us know God's presence in the midst of our journeys!

Ed

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STEWARDSHIP



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All about *Administration*

from Susan Moller
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About...FCLC's Endowment Fund

Did you know? FCLC's Endowment Fund was established for the purpose of enhancing and extending the life and mission of the congregation through support of domestic and foreign missions, scholarships, professional staff for special services, community projects, and building expansion or improvements. If you have any questions or would like to contribute to the endowment fund, you can call or email me or any of the endowment board members. The current members are: Roger Olsen, John Meier, Mitch Carson, Karla Irvin, and Craig Chaney.

About...“Simply Giving” Benefits for You

“Simply Giving” is a reliable, safe way to move your giving plan into action. It allows you to share your gifts through planned giving and activates your generosity into ongoing stewardship. Because your gift is given consistently, you won't need to play “catch-up” at year-end or worry about forgotten checkbooks or missed Sunday offerings.

What IS *“Simply Giving”* you ask? It is an automated giving program that is sponsored by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans that helps you conveniently contribute to FCLC through a pre-authorized electronic withdrawal from your bank account or charge to your credit card. You determine the frequency of your automatic gift (weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly). Your gift is deposited into FCLC's bank account at no cost to you. You will find a sign-up form in this newsletter. Just fill it out and return it to me!

Do you squeeze Lincoln till he cries?



Is your checkbook always balanced to the nearest penny?

Are the bank tellers afraid when you darken their doorstep?



If so, WE NEED YOU!!

The Stewardship Committee is in need of a volunteer to provide leadership in launching an educational experience in Christian-based household finance. Please contact Susan Moller if you are interested.

Stewardship Committee

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About...Attention “Simply Giving” families!

If you have changed your giving amount for 2009, but not changed it with Simply Giving, you need to fill out the form that can be found in this newsletter and return it to me to be processed.

About...Serving on Stewardship Committee

The Stewardship Committee would like to invite you to join our committee. We would love to have some new members and ideas! If interested, you can contact me.

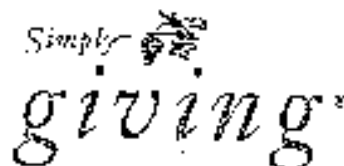
Blessings from Susan

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FCLC Finances (through 1/31/2009)

General Offerings: \$54,308
Budget: \$74,481
Expenses: \$58,002
Mortgage Balance: \$825,041



Member Enrollment and Authorization Form

Return completed enrollment form to the Lutheran congregation benefiting from your giving.

Complete this section for ALL ENROLLMENTS (Please print in black ink)			
Check the appropriate box: <input type="checkbox"/> New enrollment/authorization <input type="checkbox"/> Change in bank account: <input type="checkbox"/> Change in authorized amount	Last Name _____		First Name _____
	Mailing Address _____		
	City _____		State _____ Zip _____
	Home Telephone # _____		Work Telephone # _____

CONGREGATION DONATIONS		
Congregation Name <u>Faith Community Lutheran</u> <u>City Langhorne</u>		Street Address <u>9775 Old Highway</u> State <u>CO</u> Zip <u>80584</u>
Church Fund Designations: _____ General Fund _____ \$ _____ _____ Special _____ \$ _____ _____ Evangelism/Outreach _____ \$ _____ _____ _____ \$ _____ _____ _____ \$ _____ TOTAL DONATION AMOUNT \$ _____ (in whole \$)	Amount For Donations _____ Frequency of Donations (Please check only one) <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly or Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly or Pledge <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-monthly (transferred on 1 st and 15 th of each month) <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly on the 1 st <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly on the 15 th	Date of first donation _____

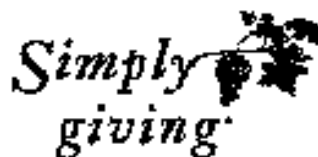
Note: The total amount will be transferred based on the frequency selected.

Complete this section if you want donations to come from your CHECKING OR SAVINGS ACCOUNT	
Donations should be taken from: <input type="checkbox"/> Checking (attach a voided check) <input type="checkbox"/> Savings (attach a savings deposit slip) Routing Number _____ Valid Routing # must start with 0, 1, 2, or 9 Account Number _____	REQUIRED: I authorize Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and Various Services, LLC to automatically withdraw donations from my account. I have attached a voided check or savings deposit slip. This authority will remain in effect until I give reasonable notification to terminate the authorization. Account Holder Signature _____ Date _____

ATTACH A VOIDED CHECK OR SAVINGS DEPOSIT SLIP FOR A NEW ENROLLMENT OR CHANGE IN BANK ACCOUNT ONLY

Complete this section if you want donations to come from your CREDIT CARD	
Please charge my donation to my (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> American Express <input type="checkbox"/> Discover Card	
Credit Card Number _____	Expiration Date _____
Name on Card _____	
Billing Address (if different from above): _____	
REQUIRED: I authorize Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and Various Services, LLC to charge my credit card in accordance with the information above. This authority will remain in effect until I give reasonable notification to terminate the authorization. Signature (as it appears on the credit card) _____ Date _____	

*** REQUIRED *** MUST BE COMPLETED BY CONGREGATION		
Congregation Code: 0010614500	Envelope Number _____	Verifier Initials _____



A simple choice; a generous response

The *Simply Giving*[®] Program

Through *Simply Giving*[®], your offerings or tuition payments are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account. You determine the frequency of your automatic donation – weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly – but option is yours. Note: The date the monthly tuition payment is transferred from your account to the school account is predetermined by the school. Your donation or payment is deposited into the recipient's bank account on the same day it is withdrawn from your account.

Benefits to you and...

Your Congregation

Simply Giving[®] is a reliable, safe way to move your stewardship plan into action. It allows you to share your donations through planned giving and translates your generosity into ongoing stewardship. Because your donation is given automatically, you won't need to play catch-up at year-end or worry about forgotten checkbooks or missed Sunday offerings. But you're not the only one that benefits. Your congregation benefits from steady, more predictable revenues throughout the year, more efficient bookkeeping, and greater confidence in meeting its financial commitments.

Your School

This program is also a convenient way to pay tuition at a Lutheran school. *Simply Giving*[®] provides a easy, no cost way for the school to collect tuition, and allows the school to benefit from consistent cash flow. Your tuition payments are made to the school through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account and deposited on the same day into the school's bank account.

Your Favorite Lutheran Institution

You can also make convenient contributions to other Lutheran institutions through the *Simply Giving*[®] program. Because of your planned giving and ongoing stewardship, the fact that you support benefits from steady, more predictable revenues throughout the year. This helps the institution to better meet its financial goals and development objectives.

Why does Thrivent Financial for Lutherans offer the *Simply Giving*[®] program?

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans offers *Simply Giving*[®] to further its mission of serving Lutheran congregations and institutions.

Who do I call if I have more questions about the *Simply Giving*[®] program?

Contact the institution benefiting from your giving. Your Thrivent Financial representative may also be able to answer your questions.

How do I cancel or change my authorization?

Contact the institution benefiting from your giving.

How do I participate?

First make sure the institution you wish to benefit is enrolled in *Simply Giving*[®]. Then complete the form on the reverse side and return it to the congregation or institution that will benefit from your giving.

ENROLLMENT INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Using black ink, complete the personal information section including name, address and telephone numbers.
2. Indicate whether this is a new enrollment/authorization, a change in amount, or a change in bank account.
3. Indicate the account type, routing number and account number. Attach a voided check or savings deposit slip to the enrollment form for a new enrollment or change in bank account.
4. Sign and date the Account Holder Signature section.
5. Complete the appropriate section with the institution name and address that will benefit from your giving.

For Your Lutheran Congregation offering:

- Designate which fund(s) your donation should go to and the amount.
- Select the frequency of your offering.

For Your Lutheran School Tuition:

- Calculate the amount of each monthly tuition payment.
- Determine the date of your first and last payment.

For Your Lutheran Institution Donation:

- Select the date of the monthly donation transfer and the amount of each monthly donation.
- Determine the date of your first and last donation.

6. Return the completed enrollment form to the Lutheran congregation, school or institution benefiting from your giving.

PRIVACY / CONFIDENTIALITY: The Authorization form on the back is seen by the nonprofit Lutheran organizations enrolled in *Simply Giving*[®] as well as by the Vanco Service employees who process it. In addition, participant name and address information may be provided to Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Participant information will not be shared with any other organizations.

See reverse side for Authorization Form.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS



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Mark your calendars now! Confirmation Planning Meeting

Sunday, March 22, 12:15 pm, Sunrise room. All 8th graders AND their parents should plan on attending this one-time planning meeting for Confirmation Weekend (May 2-3). Now's the time to give input and get your questions answered regarding the format of faith statements, confirmation questioning and worship service details. Confirmation robe measurements will also take place at this time.

Summer of Gifts Summer Sunday School needs YOU!

Yes, it is only March...but plans are already in the works for the *4th Annual Summer of Gifts Summer Sunday School*. Why, it's becoming a tradition! But we need YOU!

Do you have a hobby, special talent, or occupation which you would be willing to teach/share with others (of any age group) for 1 hour, 1 Sunday morning during June, July or August?

*You pick the topic.
You pick the class size and age group.
You pick the Sunday.*

We will help you tie it back to the Bible. Last year we were able to offer 71 classes because of some amazing volunteers! Please contact Nanette by April 15 to volunteer: nanette@fcl.org.

Here's what Preschool-5th Grade Sunday Schoolers are learning:

Memory verse of the month:

"But when the Holy Spirit controls our lives, he will produce this kind of fruit in us: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control." Galatians 5:22-23a (NLT)

Objectives:

- ◆ Know that the Apostle Paul wrote letters to new believers as he traveled
- ◆ That the book of Galatians is one of those letters.
- ◆ The students will be able to find Galatians in the Bible.
- ◆ Understand that love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control are given to those who live by faith.
- ◆ Discover that the Holy Spirit will help them make right decisions.

2009 Lenten Devotionals have arrived!

This daily devotional for FCLC members became available in the narthex beginning February 22. A BIG thank you to the 36 authors, all members of Faith Community Lutheran.



Thank you to the Christian Education Committee for your collating skills. Thanks to all who helped with the basket assembly too! Wow, what a team effort! Beginning on Ash Wednesday, each family will receive a small basket to which a piece of fruit will be added each week—tying into our 2009 Lenten theme of *The Fruit of the Spirit*.

Got Questions?

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Christian Education Dates to Remember

March 1	6:00-7:30 pm	Mission Event - Learn about mission projects around the world
March 7	10:00-11:00 am	Sunday School Workshop Leaders' Training
March 7	12:30-4:00 pm	CPR/AED Certification Course
March 8	6:00-7:30 pm	New Member Orientation, Session #1
March 15	9:45-10:45 am	New Member Orientation, Session #2 (Luncheon at 12:15)
March 22	12:15-1:00 pm	Confirmation Planning Mtg. (8 th graders & parents)
March 29		NO SUNDAY SCHOOL (Spring Break)
April 1		NO CONFIRMATION (Spring Break)

WORSHIP

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Song of the Month - "You Are Holy"

"You Are Holy" is taken from our new ELW hymnal. This hymn which was written by Per Harling in 1948 was originally written in German. It was often sung in Cannon form. We will use the first half of this song in March as our offertory each week.

"You are holy, You are whole.
You are always evermore
Than we ever understand.
You are always at hand.
Blessed are You coming near.
Blessed are You coming here
To Your church in wine and bread,
Raised from soil, raised from dead."

This tune is one you will be humming on the way home from church on Sundays and will stay with you through your work week~

Women of Faith Worship Team

Women of Faith meets the following Wednesday nights in the sanctuary from 6:15-6:45pm: March 11, March 18, & March 25. New music that we will be learning will include: "You are Good".

**Upcoming dates for Women of Faith group to sing:**

- ♦ Sunday, March 22, 8:30am singing "Redeemer, Savior, Friend"
- ♦ Saturday March 28 & Sunday March 29th leading worship. Special music: "At the Foot of the Cross"

Please see Diane if you are interested in joining this group of women. There is always room for more~

Leap of Faith Schedule for March

The Leap of Faith Youth team will lead worship on Sunday, March 1st at both services! We will feature the song "Enough" as special music that day.



- ♦ Band: Thursday nights March 12, 19, and 26 at 6:00pm
- ♦ LOF Team: Sundays, March 22 and 29th at 6:30pm
- ♦ The Team will lead worship Saturday April 4th & Palm Sunday, Apr 5th

It is never too late to join this group of 6-12th graders...see Diane Sell if you are interested!

AND DRAMA**Lenten Dramas**

During lent on our Wed nights at 4:30pm and 7pm we will be featuring our own FCLC actors! Come and see!



- ♦ February 25th (Ash Wednesday) "Seasons of Love" performed by all members in the dramas throughout lent
- ♦ March 4th "Patience" Mike and Julia Rosenstein, Wendy Kerr, and Evelyn Weston
- ♦ March 11th "Kindness" Greg Moller and Cookie Olsen
- ♦ March 18th "Goodness" Laura Lewis, Ben Woo Ching, and Diane Sell
- ♦ March 25th "Faithfulness" Jordan Lind, Elizabeth Ruiz, and Brit Windell
- ♦ April 1st "Self Control" under construction

Children Sermons with Puppets

We are always looking for more actors in our puppet ministry on Sundays in worship. If this is something that you might be willing to do, please contact Diane Sell. The scripts are written for you. You just need to deliver them!

Worship Manners Skits Are Coming Back!

Every once in a while it is good to be reminded of why we come to church and to be respectful of our time in the Lord's house. Coming in April you will be reminded of that through one's interpretation of what can be a BOTHER~ You won't want to miss this!

Taking a Trip on Faith—Fantastic Job

Our 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders did a great job last month performing their One Act Play, "Taking a Trip on Faith".

The play was about a brother and sister who had to move for their father's new job. While packing, they came across a favorite childhood Bible storybook. While looking at the book, they learned great lessons about how God is in charge. A fantastic group of kids reenacted these stories wonderfully.

Thanks to all the children for their hard work and dedication! Thanks also to all the older siblings, parents, family, and friends who supported our kids!

CHOIR

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Attention WNL Big Kids!



As you may know, Wednesday Night Live has a new "Big Kids Choir". But this isn't just any old choir, no siree! It's a **BELL Choir**. And it's a lot of fun! We are learning three songs to be played for the congregation on *March 15th at the 11am service*.

If you are interested in joining, please email me at dawn@fcllc.org.

Thanks!

Dawn

SPECIAL DEVOTION

Sharing God's Grace

Richard John Neuhaus was a friend I never met. I knew him only through reading his writing in *First Things*, the journal he edited, and through many of his other writings. He died of cancer in January. I read him first when he was the pastor of a Lutheran congregation in Manhattan, and I continued reading his articles when he became a Catholic priest in that same city.

Pastor/Father John remained firm in his belief that salvation comes by faith and not through works, as both a Lutheran and a Catholic. About ten years ago, he and Chuck Colson formed an organization which brought Evangelicals and Catholics together to work toward a common understanding of this contentious issue which lay at the core of the Reformation.

One astonishing result of this effort is reflected in a recent statement by Pope Benedict: "We understand that what we here affirm [in the agreement on justification by faith between Evangelicals and Catholics] is in agreement with what the Reformation traditions have meant by justification by faith alone." The Roman Catholic Church and the ELCA have come to an agreement on justification which expresses a similar understanding.

Lutherans have held firmly to the understanding that salvation comes through the grace of God by faith and not through things we do. We have held so much to this doctrine that we have sometimes neglected to follow Jesus' command to fully love and help others. Catholics, on the other hand, have sometimes been so hung up on satisfying requirements of the Church like mass attendance, fasting, saints' days, etc., that they have ignored the "faith" side of the equation.

What a different world we live in today. Our congregation gives 20% of its income to organizations and activities outside the Church, and we spend countless hours in activities helping others, ranging from building homes to anointing the sick. We do not do these things because we believe our own efforts will lead to salvation, for it is by the grace of God in Christ Jesus that we are saved and able to do good works in His name. We do these things because we are Christians, saved by grace.

What a joy it is that our fellow Christians in the Catholic and Evangelical communions share this great truth with us! And what a joy it is that we have been saved and liberated by the grace of God to be a blessing to others!

By Miles Olson

PROPERTY



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Spring Cleanup

The Property Committee is looking again for volunteers to help get the church cleaned up for the Easter Service. We will be dusting, polishing, cleaning windows (inside and outside) and picking up any trash that may be around. We will be working primarily in the Sanctuary, Narthex, and outside.

Please reply back to Mike Brockman at msbrockman@msn.com or 303-589-6655 if you can help. PLEASE, offer your help!!!

Details:

Inside and Outside the church
Saturday, April 4th

9 am till ?? (probably not later than 2 pm)

Lost and Found

Please note that there are a lot of items that have been left behind at the church including (but not limited to) Bibles, books, cell phones, glasses, coats, scarves, clothing, jewelry, toys, balls, etc. If you are the owner of any of the above, please claim your items in the Lost and Found box in the Coat Closet. All items left after March 15th will be donated!

FELLOWSHIP HAPPENINGS



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Lenten Activities

Lenten Soup Suppers

Soup suppers will be served Wednesday nights throughout the Lenten season between 5:15pm and 6:45pm. This year a free-will donation will be taken at the door. The suggested donation will be \$3.00 per person.



Our schedule of soups is as follows:

Feb 25: Chicken/Cheese Tortellini & Broccoli cheese
Mar 4: Portuguese Stew and Chicken Noodle
Mar 11: Minnestroni and Chicken Tortilla
Mar 18: California Chicken and Clam Chowder
Mar 25: Ham/Potato & Cheese and Chicken Noodle
Apr 4: Extras and/or make Chili

As usual, we'll also serve grilled cheese or quesadillas, fruit, and salad/vegetables each week. A free-will offering will be accepted at the door. Come enjoy some good food and fellowship either before or after one of the beautiful Lenten services.

If you can lend a hand preparing soups for a few hours during the day (between 11am and 3pm). Please contact Tanja Nelson at 303-827-3652 or Tanja@fcllc.org

Seder Meal - Once again, Wayne Hubert will lead a team of volunteers to provide a delicious Seder Dinner on Thursday, April 8th. This year a *free-will offering* will be taken for this event. Seating is limited so you will want to obtain your reservations early. This is always a sold-out meal!

Seder Helpers - Wayne keeps us laughing in the kitchen and all of us who help with the Seder Meal have a great time! If you can put in anywhere from 1 - 6 hours to help us, please contact Sally Meier at sally-jmeier@yahoo.com or 303-938-8680. We'll provide a great lunch for you, too!

Get Involved!!!



St. Patrick's Day Dance Is Back!

Save the date!!! **Friday, March 13th from 8:00 – 11:00 p.m.** Join us at the *NEW LOCATION* of Oskar Blues in Lyons to dance the night away to our *NEW* Happenin' *live DJ* playing a variety of music from oldies to country to classic rock. We may even get to slip in a little Karaoke! Tickets for this annual adult night out will be on sale for \$10 in the Narthex between services February 22, March 1, and March 8. Contact Andrea Lee at 970-535-0305 if you would like to help out with this event.

Seder Dinner Reservations

Look for reservation cards for the Seder Dinner to be available the first week of March. As always, seating is limited for this meal so please remember to reserve your spot early! A free-will offering for this meal will be taken at the time reservation is made. Look for more details soon!



Women's Winter Fellowship Weekend in Summit County

Hey Ladies!!! The weekend of **March 6-8** take a break from your "to do" list and get away with friends to enjoy the mountains. This is a great opportunity to meet new people, spend time with friends, ski, shop, snowshoe, go to the movies, or just hang out and relax. For details contact Jill Krantz at jkkconnect@hotmail.com or 303-774-8439.

Theater



Mark your calendars for Sunday afternoon (2pm), March 8th. We'll be gathering a group to go to Longmont Theater Company's production of "Once upon a Mattress." Get your friends together, go out to lunch after the late service and join us for a fun-filled afternoon! Tickets are now on sale. For more information, contact Pam Lind at lindplindp@msn.com or 303-684-0804.

OUTREACH NEWS



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KIDS HOPE USA

One Child, One Hour, One Church, One School



KIDS HOPE USA provides local churches with an award-winning mentoring program which teaches how to engage their members in one-to-one caring relationships with at-risk public elementary school children. Faith Community Lutheran is preparing to engage in this local outreach in the fall of 2009.

Position Available

Our partnership with KIDS HOPE USA will be unique in that it requires a paid part-time *Director* who will supervise and support the entire program. We are currently seeking to fill this position with an active, respected FCLC member who first and foremost loves children. The job will begin in July and will require an average of 15 hours a week. A complete job description and application forms are available on the Outreach table in the narthex. Application deadline is March 31st. For more information you may contact Pat Sharp at m6sharp@aol.com.

Thanks for Food Drive Support!

Thank you to all those who helped with the weekly food drive last month. Your generous donations of food and personal care products was much appreciated by the OUR Center. A BIG Thank You also goes out to all those who helped served lunch at the OUR Center February 22nd.

HOPE Sack Lunches



How can you serve 30 people in just a couple of hours? Faith Community provides 30 sack lunches on the 3rd Sunday of every month to the HOPE center and the lunches are then passed out to our local homeless. We are looking for families, small groups, or anyone who would be interested in making the sack lunches. All cost are covered by the Outreach Committee. All we ask for is a couple of hours of your time. If you would like more information please contact schaffs2003@yahoo.com.

Outreach Fair... Just Around the Corner!

Mark your calendar for the Outreach Fair. It's on April 25 & 26 in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great way to familiarize yourself with the different organization that FCLC Outreach supports.



SPECIAL THANK YOU

Thankyou to each and every person who has prayed for me, brought me food, and called me with loving phone calls on the telephone. No one will ever know how much it has meant to me and helped me the past three months.

Alice Turner

Serving God and Our Country

We will be remaking the bulletin board honoring those of our congregation and their families who are serving in the military. If you have pictures, stories, addresses, etc. that you would like to be included, please turn them in to the office.

Thank you!

Grocery Gift Cards

We have grocery gift cards for both



So, stop by the red grocery booth and purchase your cards on Sunday mornings for all your grocery shopping needs. They will be available between services. Our church receives 5% of the value of the cards and the monies from MARCH support :

Worship and Music

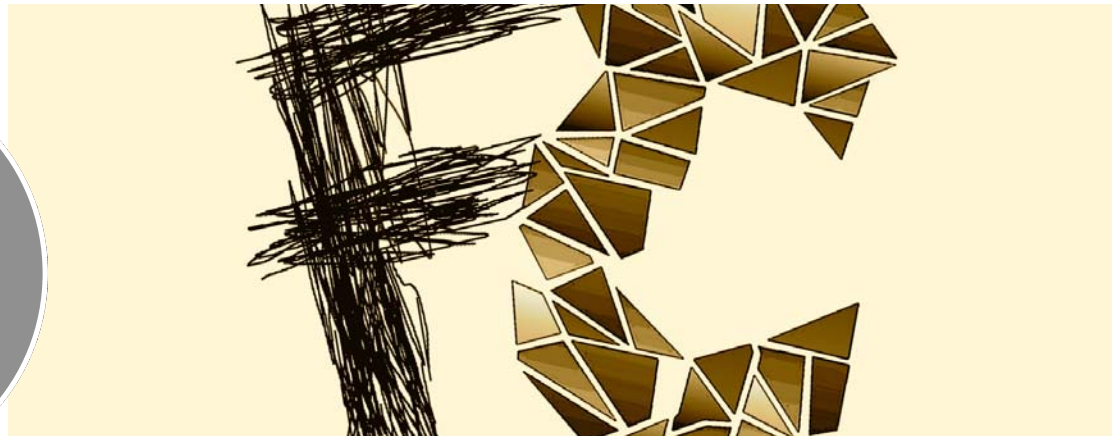
There is no extra cost to you. You buy \$100 of gift cards and get to spend \$100 at the grocery store. The store, however, gives FCLC \$5 per \$100!

YOUTH



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Youth & Household Ministry:
Teaching our
youth and families to grow in
the love of God



YOUTH Ministry Happenings

I can't believe we are already into March! Man, time flies when you are having fun! We had a really rough, but great February with helping our students learn more about how God wants us to view dating, sex and relationship. We taught our students about prayer through prayer services and challenging messages for youth and parents about how to be "the hands and feet" to the hurting. Just great things and great growth all around with our church.

Things to put on your calendar:

June 7th-12th // Sky Ranch: 4th grade-8th grade//Cost: \$390 (Scholarships available for those going through application process). Registration has already begun; March 15th we need a deposit of \$150.

The Youth and Household program will be expanding its goals and breadth at getting adults and youth plugged in more. If you have ever thought about serving in the youth ministry program, now is the perfect time to get plugged in. We will be sending out new updated areas of service and talking to the church to help people see where we are going and what we want to do along the way. We really hope and pray that you will join us in this awesome journey as we help our youth grow in knowing the Lord more and more.

On the library shelves ?



*Books and VCRs and DVDs!
Oh, my! Lots of 'em! ... And 2158 of
'em were checked out in 2008!*

NEW THIS MONTH:

BOYS ADRIFT by Leonard Sax. The five factors driving the growing epidemic of unmotivated boys and underachieving young men. *[FCLC member recommended]*

MY STROKE OF INSIGHT: A Brain Scientist's Personal Journey by Jill Bolte Taylor. *[FCLC member recommended]*

SURVIVING THE STORMS OF LIFE: Finding Hope and Healing When Life Goes Wrong by H. Norman Wright.

UNDER THE OVERPASS: by Mike Yankoski. A journey of faith in the streets of America. By his own choice, Mike and his traveling companion, Sam, journeyed as homeless men for five months. Mike needed to know if his faith in God was real ... could he be the Christian he said he was apart from the comforts he had always known.

END OF THE SPEAR: a true story by Steve Saint. Steve was only 5 years old, when his father Nate Saint was brutally killed by Waodani warriors. Decades later the Waotani asked him and his family to return to the jungle and teach them how to interact with the encroaching world.
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DO HARD THINGS: A Teenage Rebellion Against Low Expectations by Alex & Brett Harris. Written by teens for teens to give readers a tangible glimpse of what is possible for teens who actively resist cultural lies that limit their potential.

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SEEING THROUGH THE LIES: Unmasking The Myths Women Believe, by Vonda Skelton. ... humorously addresses the disappointments women experience as they search for truth while believing a lie, with answers straight from the truth of God's word.

... and some for kids ...

SOPHIE AND SAM: When To Say 'Yes' And When To Say 'No'. Boundaries for children by Tori Cloud (wife of Henry Cloud, author of *Boundaries*).








READ ALL ABOUT IT! by Laura and Jenna Bush. Tyrone rules the school but he doesn't like reading! Books are boring! Then strange visitors start dropping by for story hour

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p>  <p>First Sunday in Lent 8:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Cristiano Church 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Cleaners 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Mines, Missionaries & Me!</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Men's "Genesis" Study 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Knitters & Crocheters 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Staff Meeting 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM Girl Scouts - Troop 2081 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Cristiano Church 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Executive Committee 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Men's "Proverbs" Study</p>	<p>4</p> <p>6:30 AM - 7:30 AM Men's "Deuteronomy" Study 4:30 PM - 5:15 PM Lenten Worship Service 5:15 PM - 6:45 PM Lenten Soup Supper 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Confirmation 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Sisters in Christ 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM The FILL 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM WNL 6:15 PM - 6:45 PM Women of Faith Worship Rehearsal 7:00 PM - 7:45 PM Lenten Worship 7:45 PM - 9:00 PM Adult Choir 8:30 PM - 10:00 PM Cleaners</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Women's "Exodus" Study 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM John's Study 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 203 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Cristiano Church 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Worship Team</p>	<p>6</p>  <p>Women's Ski Weekend World Day of Prayer</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Women's Ski Weekend 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Fitball & Bible Study 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Sunday School Workshop Leader Training 12:30 PM - 4:00 PM Red Cross CPR/AED Certification class 5:00 PM - 5:30 PM Worship "Pray & Prep" 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Saturday Night Worship</p>
<p>8</p>  <p>Daylight-Saving Time Begins Girl Scout Sunday Women's Ski Weekend 8:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 2:00 PM - 5:30 PM "Once Upon a Mattress" 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Cristiano Church 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Cleaners 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM New Member Orientation Session #1</p>	<p>9</p> <p>7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Stephen Sulpervision</p>	<p>10</p> <p>7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Men's "Genesis" Study 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Knitters & Crocheters 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Cristiano Church 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Committees 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Men's "Proverbs" Study 8:15 PM - 9:30 PM Council</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6:30 AM - 7:30 AM Men's "Deuteronomy" Study 4:30 PM - 5:15 PM Lenten Worship Service 5:15 PM - 6:45 PM Lenten Soup Supper 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Confirmation 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Sisters in Christ 6:00 PM - 7:15 PM The FILL 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM WNL 7:00 PM - 7:45 PM Lenten Worship 7:45 PM - 9:00 PM Adult Choir 8:30 PM - 10:00 PM Cleaners</p>	<p>12</p>  <p>9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Women's "Exodus" Study 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM John's Study 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM LOF Band 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Cristiano Church 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Worship Team</p>	<p>13</p>  <p>8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Fitball & Bible Study 5:00 PM - 5:30 PM Worship "Pray & Prep" 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Saturday Night Worship 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Great Dates</p>	<p>14</p> 
<p>15</p> <p>3rd Sunday in Lent 8:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM - 10:45 AM New Member Orientation #2 9:45 AM Sunday School 12:15 PM - 2:00 PM New Member Luncheon 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Cristiano Church 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Cleaners</p>	<p>16</p> <p>9:00 AM - 1:30 PM Retired Pastors of Northern Colorado</p>	<p>17</p> <p>St. Patrick's Day 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Men's "Genesis" Study 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Knitters & Crocheters 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Staff Meeting 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM Girl Scouts - Troop 2081 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Cristiano Church 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Long Range Planning 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Men's "Proverbs" Study</p>	<p>18</p> <p>6:30 AM - 7:30 AM Men's "Deuteronomy" Study 4:30 PM - 5:15 PM Lenten Worship Service 5:15 PM - 6:45 PM Lenten Soup Supper 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Confirmation 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Sisters in Christ 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM The FILL 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM WNL 6:15 PM - 6:45 PM Women of Faith Worship Rehearsal 7:00 PM - 7:45 PM Lenten Worship 7:45 PM - 9:00 PM Adult Choir 8:30 PM - 10:00 PM Cleaners</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Women's "Exodus" Study 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM John's Study 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 203 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM LOF Band 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Cristiano Church 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Worship Team</p>	<p>20</p>  <p>First Day of Spring</p>	<p>21</p> <p>8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Fitball & Bible Study 5:00 PM - 5:30 PM Worship "Pray & Prep" 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Saturday Night Worship</p>

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Bob Neb
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Jeff Riemenschneider
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Mindy Gratny

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KJ Parker, Jr.

March 24

Brian Jordan
Linda Lerum
Jeff Brunkow
Tami Musfeldt
Cody Howes

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Stephanie Mason
Lexine Knutson

March 26

Suzanne Graff

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Chris Mueller
Kevin Bachman

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Katelyn Buderus

March 30

Barry McClurkin
Jim Conradson
Andrew Alm

March 31

Darlene Nehls
Josh Cogdill

March Wedding AnniversariesMarch 4

Michael and LaRae Schaff - 21 years

March 7

Federico and Jeanne Ruiz - 22 years

March 8

Lyle and Marilyn Luttrell - 44 years

March 9

Kirsten and Charles Herring - 18 years

March 20

Ed and Diane Broestl - 38 years

March 23

Joe and Audrey Audley - 24 years

March 26

Bill and Leslie Raymond— 9 years
Keith and Hanorah Anderson - 41 years



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Catch the Spirit!

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Our Vision

*In each of us burns a flame,
so we gather in faith and
hope to reach out in love.*



Our Core Values

To "Reach Out in Love" as a
church that is:

- Bible-centered
- Prayer-centered
- Worship-centered with
blended
styles of music
- Kid-Friendly
- Visitor-Friendly
- A Model of the Priesthood of
Believers
- A Model of "First Fruits Giving"
(to various outreach projects)